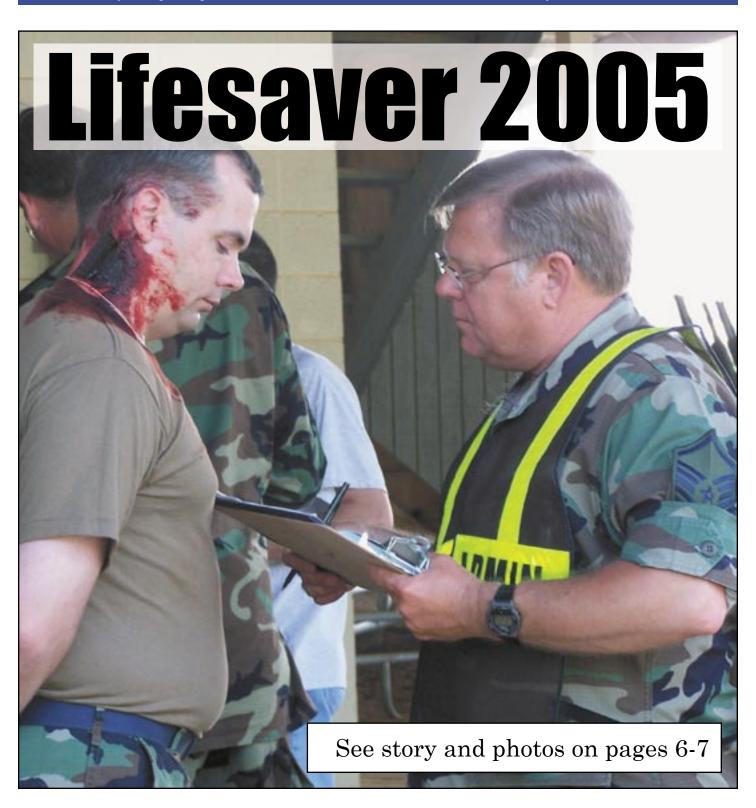
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Photo by Tech. Sgt. Tim Moreland

Master Sgt. William "Steve" Rains tags just one of many simulated patients from a homeland defense disaster that was held at Keesler Air Force Base, Miss. The 916th Aerospace Medicine Flight worked with active duty and nine local hospitals. Sergeant Rains is a health services technician with the 916th AMDF.

Leadership: North Carolina style



by: Col. Douglas K. Holmes 916th AMDF Commander

Editor's note: Colonel Holmes recently graduated from the Leadership North Carolina program; a program that brings together community leaders for nine months to better understand a wide variety of issues affecting the state. Colonel Holmes was selected by his class to be their graduation speaker. He received a standing ovation for his delivery and encourages members of the wing to visit him to discuss leadership issues. Below are excerpts from his speech given in May.

Leadership has been defined as doing the right thing at the right time for the right reason

I thought it was an honor just to submit an application and to be seriously considered as a candidate to become a member of this Leadership North Carolina organization.

Dr. Wes Robinson of class 11 told me about the program and considered me worthy to encourage me to apply. Then I was chosen as a member of the 12th class, what a trip!!!

As I speak tonight, I will relate some personal insights and experiences. I will talk as a representative of my class.

What a fun and exhilarating ride. What an opportunity to meet the movers and shakers of North Carolina.

To study and learn about our state, its issues, needs, opportunities; what an unparalleled experience.

In 1966 my family moved from Richmond, Va., to Gastonia N.C., when I was 12.

After finishing high school it was my desire to attend to the U.S. Air Force Academy, but my eyesight was less than 20/20 without glasses, so it was University of North Carolina for me, but what a wonderful lesson for me to learn that although one door is closed there have really been many others open.

And then in Chapel Hill I started my real love affair with North Carolina.

My story can be told in variation by 47 of my classmates, with their own story of coming to or being raised in North Carolina, but the common denominator is love for our state and a desire to make it better. Why else would we be in Leadership North Carolina?

As you well know, all of life after college is one big elective, you chose your career, you chose your path, mine has led me here and I am incredibly grateful.

In our first weekend at Boone, we witnessed 48 strangers bond and gel into a cohesive, supportive group of friends who respected each other, cared for each other, and who seemed to thrive and yearn to be in each other's presence.

Can anything good come out of Boone?

After Boone we all had 47 new good friends. Then before we knew it we had completed the whirlwind of meetings in Charlotte, Wilmington, Raleigh, Winston Salem and Asheville. We had studied education, economic development, government, health and human services and the environment. Now that we know what we know, what are we going to do with it?

What differences are we going to make in education? In the economy of North Carolina? In our government? In our health care system? In our air and water? Throughout our studies, I have gleaned three consistent themes:

The need for long range planning, the need for the courage to do the right thing and the hidden costs associated with the lack of this long range planning and this lack of courage

Unfortunately we have created our society to reward the short term. Our campaigns are built around sound bites. Our legislative term of office is for only two years. Our junior U.S. Senator from North Carolina has described Congress as a crisis action group, only when an item is seen as a crisis does it get the attention and action it deserves, and many times only a stop gap measure is implemented. It doesn't take a physician to know that prevention costs much less than the cure.

When courageous, informed leaders are in action, such as those that make up class 12, choices are made and implemented rather that passively received, money is spent with prevention in mind, and the hard perhaps unpopular long range choices are made.

To my classmates: Is there anything good that can come out of the small towns in North Carolina?

To the world: Come and see, come and see.

Uniform changes or updates from AFPC

by Chief Master Thomas Smith

916th ARW Command Chief Master Sgt.

As part of our ongoing efforts to keep you and the field apprised of uniform issues and updates, we'd like to provide you some examples of queries our staff has received from the field recently. Our purpose is two-fold: first, to "spread the word" on some uniform updates that have been released from Air Force Personnel Command that you don't have time to chase down; and second, to let you know that we are here to vet your issues or questions.

Here are a few examples of questions from the Field:

Command Insignia—Inquiring minds have asked about exceptions to policy for captain squadron/CCs to wear the Insignia: Current Air Force policy only allows field grade officer squadron, group, and wing CCs to wear the insignia. The field's argument is that changing the policy would acknowledge the challenges and responsibilities inherent with command irrespective of the incumbent's rank. A1 staff is

engaged with our air staff counterparts and will provide resolution as soon as it is available. NOTE: Squadron section CCs are not authorized to wear the insignia.

Wear of headphones with Air Force PT uniform: This issue has been vetted to the Air Force Uniform Board via AFPC Field Operations. At this time, headphones may not be worn with the Air Force PT uniform until formal guidance is released from the AFUB.

Wear of the American Flag on DCUs: The AF Uniform Board addressed this issue with the CSAF when the Army changed their wear policy of the flag; CSAF specifically disapproved the wear of the U.S. flag on our BDUs. The authorization to wear the flag while deployed in the AOR is at the discretion of the theater commander. USCENTAF's supplement to AFI 36-2903, states the United States National Flag is not authorized on the DCU.

Desert camouflage uniform travel to and from the CENTCOM AOR:

On 13 May 2005 HQ AFPC published guidance from CSAF allowing wear of DCUs while traveling to and from the CENTCOM AOR. .

AF finalizes new utility uniform: Hot off the presses as of 1 June 05. Blue and green tiger stripes are out; the digitized pattern with subdued green, tan, blue and gray is in.

After reviewing more than 150,000 bits of feedback throughout the initial seven-month wear test of the proposed new utility uniform, Air Force leaders recently decided to eliminate the original color scheme and conduct a limited field test of the new pattern.

Special operations and survival, evasion, resistance and escape personnel will conduct a limited wear test of the new design at Hurlburt Field, Fla., and Fairchild Air Force Base, Wash., in June.

The uniform program will be turned over to the Defense Logistics Agency in mid 2005 for procurement. Airmen can expect to purchase the uniform sometime in FY 07.

African-American woman first to command flying wing

ANDREWS AIR FORCE BASE, Md. - A former wing vice commander is the first African-American woman in the Air Force Reserve Command - and the Air Force - to command a flying wing.

Col. Stayce Harris accepted command of the 459th Air Refueling Wing in a ceremony here May 15.

Before replacing Brig. Gen. Richard Severson as commander of the 1,300member wing, she was vice commander of the 507th ARW at Tinker Air Force Base, Okla.

"I believe the Air Force and the military as a whole provides opportunities for all," said Colonel Harris after the ceremony. "I am just an example of what we can do in the military."

Colonel Harris was born in Los Angeles, the daughter of a career enlisted man. She gained an appreciation for travel and the military as the family moved from place to place.

In 1977, she graduated from 71st High School in Fayetteville, N.C. She was then accepted into the University of Southern California on an engineering ROTC scholarship.

Colonel Harris spent her first year and a half in the Air Force as chief of industrial engineering and then as the squadron section commander of civil engineering at Hill Air Force Base, Utah. She then attended pilot training at Williams AFB, Ariz., and became qualified in the C-141B Starlifter cargo aircraft.

In August 1990, Colonel Harris separated from active duty and became an airline pilot for United Airlines. She flies a Boeing 747-400 aircraft from the West Coast to Tokyo and Sydney, Australia.

For the last 14 years, she has balanced her Air Force career with her civilian airline career.

From April 1991 to February 1995, she was an air operations officer and C-141 pilot in the 445th Airlift Wing at March Air Reserve Base, Calif. She was a mobility force planner for the Air Force deputy chief of staff for plans and operations in the Pentagon from February 1995 to January 1997. For the next three years, she served as an individual mobilization augmentee to the deputy assistant secretary of the Air Force at the Pentagon.

In February 2000, Colonel Harris returned to March ARB first as deputy commander of the 452nd Operations Group and then as commander of the 729th Airlift Squadron. From May 2002 to May 2005, she was vice commander of the 507th ARW at Tinker AFB.

"The Air Force has always been my passion," she said, "so this is the job I really enjoy keeping because of the people. This is where my heart is."

With more than 2,500 hours flying military aircraft and 8,000 hours flying for United Airlines, she will fly an abbreviated schedule with United Airlines out of Los Angeles while living in the national capital region. (AFRC News Service from a 459th ARW news release)

News Briefs

FY '05 & 06 Training Schedule

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Point credit

The Air Reserve Personnel Center in Denver no longer mails Air Force Form 526, Air National Guard/Air Force Reserve Point Credit Summary, to Air Force reservists. Guard and Reserve members must now use the virtual Military Personnel Flight to print a copy of their point credit information. They may call Headquarters ARPC/DPPK toll free at 1-800-525-0102 for questions and concerns about credit of points. They can access the vMPF by going to: www.afpc.randolph. af.mil/vs/ DoD submits recommendations to BRAC

If put into law, Air Force Reserve Command will close three installations and move people from a dozen locations to two dozen sites throughout the United States. Although command officials anticipate keeping roughly the same troop level authorizations, AFRC will expand some existing missions such as air operations center, space, unmanned aerial vehicle and associate-unit flying. These and other changes are among those recommended by the Department of Defense to the Base Realignment and Closure Commission. DoD announced the recommendations May 13.

BRAC process

The Base Realignment and Closure Commission is holding hearings and examining the Department of Defense's recommendations, a process that runs through September. The commission sends an "all-or-nothing list" to the president, meaning the president can approve all of the closures and realignments on the list or disapprove the entire list. If he approves, the list goes to Congress. The House and Senate have 45 "legislative days" to disapprove the list. If they do nothing, the list automatically is approved and has the force and effect of law.

New recruiting logo

Air Force Reserve Command has a new advertising logo that more closely aligns it with the active force while touting the command as a high-tech, professional fighting force. Sleek and simple, the AFRC logo features the Air Force's new logo alongside the words "Air Force Reserve" in a stylish, modern typeface. AFRC recruiting officials began working with Blaine Warren Advertising in January to develop the new logo. It replaces the "Above and Beyond" logo featured in Reserve recruiting and advertising products since 1998. The command will feature the new logo in all of its new advertising products but will continue using promotional items with the old logo until they are all gone.

True blue

Air Force Reserve Command launched its commandwide "True Blue" antidrug campaign in April. In the past, anti-drug or anti-substance abuse efforts were negative and centered on disciplinary action, said Dr. Don Jenrette, the command's drug demand reduction program manager. The new True Blue initiative promotes healthy living, career-mind sets and career role models. The focus of the AFRC Drug Demand Reduction Program will be enhancing readiness by eliminating substance abuse through prevention, education, community outreach and drug testing.

Over 90 club

Tech. Sgt. John D. Chartier, 916th Civil Engineer

Squadron, pavement and heavy equipment helper scored a 90 percent on his CDC exam, while Staff Sgt. Michale D. Garrison, 916th CES, firefighter scored a 93 percent on his CDC exam.

Senior Airman Robert E. Lawson, 716th Communications Flight, ground radio communications apprentice, scored a 90 percent on his CDC 2E153 exam.

Newcomers

Staff Sgt. Elliott C. Hover 916th MXS

Staff Sgt. Grant Y. Kimmel 916th AMXS

Staff Sgt. Cheryl A. Porter 916th AMDF

Staff Sgt. Trinette D. Price 916th MOF

Staff Sgt. Anthony T. Robinson 916th AMDF

Staff Sgt. Matthew J. Williams 77th ARS

Senior Airman Thad W. Gray 916th AMXS

Airman Adamo O. Merlo 916th CES

Medals

Meritorious Service Medal Maj. Eric A. Jorgensen 916th OSF

Maj. William C. Moore, Jr. 916th OSF

Senior Master Sgt. Phillip L. Love 916th AMXS

Senior Master Sgt. Douglas W. Lam III 916th AMXS

Master Sgt. Paul T. Belden 916th AMXS

Master Sgt. Randall L. Caldwell 916th AMXS Master Sgt. David B. Jackson 916th AMXS

Master Sgt. Michael E. McLean 916th CES

Master Sgt. Christopher T. Scher 916th MXG

Tech. Sgt. Keith A. McIsaac $916th~M\bar{S}F$

Air Force Commendation Medal

Tech. Sgt. Thomas E. Anderson 916th AMXS

Tech. Sgt. William E. Buckley 916th AMXS

Tech. Sgt. Jimmy W. Pierce 916th AMXS

Air Force Achievement Medal Senior Airman Carlton B. Harrell 916th AMXS

Relay for Life Award

916th ARW - Top Money Raised by Military Team -\$2,205

Wing family day volunteers

and energy to the Wing Family Day Picnic during the June unit training assembly, I want to say thank you. This year's family day was a huge success because of the efforts you put forth. We had a great turnout and as I walked around

To all of you who devoted your time I could see how much our members and their families were enjoying the day. Your spirit of volunteerism is one of the reasons the 916th is such a great unit. Thank you again for a memorable day.

> Col. Paul J. Sykes 916th ARW Commander

Ensure proper Identification

Avoid an Article 92

When was the last time you ensured that your car could pass muster if stopped at the front gate? It is vital that all military members privately-owned vehicles comply with the standards of the state and Seymour Johnson Air Force Base.

If you are a resident of North Carolina it is important to have an up-to-date North Carolina inspection sticker, proof of insurance and state driver's license with your vehicle.

Also ensure that your license plates and registration are current. If something is not updated you may be asked to show your military identification card at the gate. If you have been promoted and your current rank is not reflected on your card this could also result in trouble for you.

Failure to do any of the above mentioned items could easily find you with an Article 92, Dereliction of Duty charge. A few minutes to ensure your car and identification is inspection ready could save you hours of explanation and a mark on your record.

Air Force Ball October 2005



Put on your dancing shoes and be ready to dance the night away. The Air Force Ball will be hosted by the 4th Fighter Wing, 916th Air Refueling Wing and the Military Affairs Committee and is tentatively scheduled to be held on base.

Unit PA representatives

Members of the 916th Air Refueling Wing have volunteered to be a unit public affairs representative for their squadron or flight. A training meeting will be held in the 916th ARW Bolen Room during the September unit training assembly.

Tech. Sgt. Nicole Lofton Senior Airman Robert **Edmonds** 916th OSF

Tech Sgt. Kevin Hughes 77th ARS

Vacant 916th MOF

Vacant 916th AMXS

Vacant 916th MXS

Tech. Sgt. Kim Brown Tech. Sgt. Sharon Loring $916th \ MSF$

Vacant 916th SVF

Staff Sgt. Scott Sweat

Staff Sgt. Stephen Jett 916th SFS

Staff Sgt. Glen Gage Staff Sgt. Chris Spaid $916th \ LRS$

Senior Airman Jeannie Hoffman Staff Sgt. Clifford Walton $916th\ CES$

Staff Sgt. Charles Alford Tech. Sgt. Matthew **Jamison** 716th CF

Staff Sgt. Bobby Alston Master Janet Rivenbark 916th CF

Tech. Sgt. Cathy Koonce Tech. Sgt. Tim Moreland 916th AMDF

Stateside annual training provides edu

by Capt. Shannon Mann

Public Affairs Officer

With everything happening in the world today, one might think a stateside annual training would be boring. But on the contrary, 916th Aerospace Medicine Flight personnel found their deployment to Keesler Air Force Base an exciting learning environment.

During the May unit training assembly, 22 medical professionals packed their bags and boarded an aircraft bound for Mississippi. The team was asked to perform annual training at the Air Force's second largest medical facility located at Keesler Air Force Base. They understood they would be helping to backfill a short active duty staff and gain valuable training needed to

upgrade their 623 training records, but little did they realize some of the handson experiences they would encounter.

One experience consisted of a Homeland Defense exercise dubbed 'LIFE-SAVER 2005' to include roughly nine local civilian hospitals, a number of states to include Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Texas and South Carolina. hundreds of volunteers, a variety of military aircraft and scores of simulated patients.

The active duty medical personnel at Keesler were scheduled to be a player in the exercise, but due to short manning because of deployments they asked their Reserve counterparts to fill in and help out. The 916th was the only Reserve unit to have medical personnel

participating in the exercise.

Members of the 916th AMDF ran with the tasking and performed as one of the best teams in the exercise, according to Col. Joseph Contiguglia, exercise commander.

Maj. Rhea Johns-Mabry explained the scenario saying that roughly 15 members of the 916th team were sent to the local rodeo stadium to assist as simulated patients from a homeland defense disaster were tagged, reported and loaded onto UH-1 Huey helicopters. The remainder of the 916th team was sent to local hospitals with the patients to ensure a proper tracking system for getting them back to home station.

With little training on loading medical litters onto helicopters, the 916th



cation for Reserve medical personnel





Working with nine local hospitals, a number of states to include Mississippi, Alabama, Florida, Texas and South Carolina, hundreds of volunteers, a variety of military aircraft and scores of simulated patients can be tiresome for any flight, but the 916th Aerospace Medicine Flight completed the tasking as one of the best teams in the exercise.

Photos by Capt. Shannon Mann and Tech. Sgt. Tim Moreland

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team pulled together to complete the mission at a very chaotic incident site. "Our group was really awesome," said Capt. Joanna Darnell, nurse. She said 916th personnel worked in coordination with Army and Coast Guard helicopter crews, logged patients into databases that would be used by the Veterans Administration and Red Cross in the event of a real emergency and put their Fit-to-Fight training to the test by physically carrying patients and loading litters onto aircraft in 95 degree heat.

"Everyone was really positive and worked together," said Capt. Darnell. "This was some of the best training because this is what we would have to do in the real world." Members not only loaded helicopters, but on day two of the exercise they loaded C-130 Hercules aircraft, loading more than 74 litters of patients on board the awaiting plane.

While LIFESAVER 2005 was a major part of their two-week annual tour, medical personnel did have a chance to enjoy an air-conditioned training environment as well. During the first week, members of 916th worked in medical administration and on the wards of the hospital. In addition, they received critical training in research labs that helped them with their continuing education credits.

Members were able to practice medical techniques and procedures as if working on live human patients.

"The research lab was great because that is something you can't just anywhere," said Capt. Debra Moore, nurse.

Tech. Sgt. Christina Davidson, medical technician, echoed Captain Moore's sentiments about the laboratory experience. "We got more skill in the lab than what we could have gotten all week long in the hospital."

Chief Master Sgt. Joyce Fromm explained that some of the medical flight members performed non-medical jobs in their civilian capacity. "This is good training for when they are called to active duty," she said, "when they are called to deploy in real world scenarios."

Though it was a long, hot, tiring annual training, members of the 916th walked away with a terrific learning experience to put in their toolkit for future use.

"It is all about teamwork and how the 916th pulled together," said Sergeant Davidson. "An annual training like this really gives me incentive to teach my lower ranking troops about working together. It was a great exercise."

Positive influences motivate Air Force careers



by Chief Master Sergeant Dana Fazekas 916th Logistics Readiness Squadron

I was wandering through the bookstore recently on a journey to find a few books from my son's summer reading list when I came across a book titled, "Be the difference" It is a collection of quotes compiled by Dan Zadra.

I knew writing this article was on my to-do list, so I picked it up for inspiration. The inside cover asked the question, "How important are you?" The answer given in the book was "more than you think."

It continues with "nothing of any consequence happens in this world unless someone like you decides to make it happen. And rarely do we act entirely on our own; we act in concert." That's a very true statement when we think about our Air Force.

I know you've heard it before — it takes every one of us to accomplish the mission. My question to you is, "Do you believe it?" If you answered yes, then you're probably already making a difference in your span of influence. My follow up question, and perhaps even more important is, "Are you making the most of every experience; are you a positive force multiplier?"

It's a very important consideration. You WILL influence many people through your career. Everything you say and do will be scrutinized by someone.

You may not think someone is listening, but someone always is. At this point in your career, that span of influence may only be within your duty section, for others it will span your unit and your wing, possibly even your entire command.

If you negatively impact those in your span of influence, it would be devastating to the mission. So, on that note, my reminder to you is that a positive attitude is just as contagious as a negative one.

Those who are making a difference are easy to spot. Those on our team making a positive difference are involved in their unit, their base and probably their community.

Those who are negatively making a difference, well, they're easy to spot too. I don't want to concentrate on them here. Let me just plead for you to be positive and have a positive influence on those with whom you interact.

Do your best to provide a team member with inspiration not frustration. Be a muse for someone. You know how to do this! The Air Force calls it mentoring.

I like the term muse because it alleviates the connotation that it's all about work. If you think about it, there are probably just as many if not more muses you meet in your everyday life as there are mentors in your careers.

They each inspire you to make positive changes. That leads me to another question for you, "Have you thanked your muses?" I reflect on one of mine often. I met Ann briefly when I was pregnant with my fourth child. Her son and my children went to daycare together. Ann was a very good muse because she was able to immediately and positively affect my life.

I had many stresses at that time, but she was able to completely alleviate one which was within her control and it made a huge difference in my life. Ann inspired me to always make the offer when there's something you think you can do for someone.

I didn't know Ann very well and we weren't good friends, only passing acquaintances so I questioned her sincerity and she sensed it, but insisted she was genuine on her offer. Since then I've tried to make more gestures, to give back in a positive manner.

I know I thanked Ann for letting me call her at 4:00 a.m. in the morning and for watching my three children all day, but I'm pretty sure she doesn't know the impact she made on me overall.

So, who's your muse? Who's your mentor? Who are you inspiring? If you can't think of anyone, then you're not doing your job if you're an NCO.

AFI 36-2618 specifically states in paragraph 4.1.5 that an NCO should mentor and help others reach his/her full potential.

I can only offer that you must believe in yourself to make a positive difference

If you haven't been doing this, I hope you'll start soon. If you're not convinced yet, you may ask just how important is it? I offer to you that it is more important than you think.

I wish I could share with you numerous specific examples of proof that a positive attitude is contagious and that having faith in this system will somehow prove to be rewarding for you.

It is rare that someone will give you a thank you letter for your attitude and positive influence in their lives or careers.

I can only offer that you must believe in yourself to make a positive difference, and ask that you give it your best shot. Start small, start soon and be the difference. Please don't wait to learn how, just try. It will make your journey though the ranks much easier, and will make leaving or retiring that much harder.

Thanks for all you do to make our Air Force a great organization! Take care of one another. Be a wingman, muse and mentor.

916th Job Control offers more tips and tricks

by: Tech. Sgt. John Hahn
916th Communications Flight

The importance of the printed word has proven to be invaluable in all aspects of communications and mission effectiveness within the Air Force community. The 916th Air Refueling Wing is of course no exception. The need for hard copy documentation and the ability to produce this documentation is paramount to mission accomplishment in all career fields. As stated in past articles, the 916th Job Control office is here to help you, the customer, handle any and all computer, network and peripheral device problems you may encounter.

A very common peripheral device problem that the 916th Job Control Office comes across is the inability of a customer to connect to the local network or a direct connect printer within their office. Without this capability mission effectiveness and productivity can be severely hindered.

Imagine the feeling of frustration when you arrive at the office and the commander needs several important documents printed immediately and you cannot access the local printer. Where is the system administrator? Where is the work group manager? Both individuals are busy with other taskings, what do you do?

This "tips and tricks" article will provide you with step by step instructions on how to connect your system to any local network computer or direct cable printer. This article will map out the steps for both Windows XP and Windows 2000 systems.

If you are using Microsoft Windows 2000, do the following:

- 1. Click **Start**, go to **Settings** and click **Printers**.
- 2. Double-click on the **Add Printer** icon.
- 3. At the **Add Printer Wizard** screen click on **Next**.
- 4. It will ask you if this is a **Local Printer** or a **Network Printer**.
- 5. If Local, make sure that the Automatically Detect and Install My Plug and Play Printer box is checked. It should detect and install the necessary software and printer.
 - 6. If it is a **Network Printer**,

highlight the network printer box and click **Next**. This will bring up a dialogue box with 3 options.

- 7. Each network printer should have a **Name** or a **URL**, which also may be an **IP address** either hand written or typed on a sticker.
- 8. If you choose the **Name** option you will then type the name of the printer in the open box and click **Next**.
- 9. This may prompt you to enter the **Manufacturer and Model of the Printer**. Look at the printer and determine what this is and scroll to its location and click on the **Make** and **Model**. This should load the printer for you.
- 10. A dialogue box should appear asking if you would like this printer to be setup as the **default printer**.
- 11. Answer **Yes** or **No** to this question and click **Next** and it will give you the option to successfully finish adding

the printer. Click **Finish** and you are done and the printer is added.

If you are using a Windows XP system, the process is going to be the same; the only slight difference is the graphics of the dialogue boxes.

Congratulations, you have now installed either a plug and play printer or a network printer on your own. If during this process an error message occurs or the system cannot locate the printer you are trying to connect with, follow the proper procedures and contact your system administrator first; followed by your workgroup manager.

Hopefully this added knowledge base will allow for a more efficient working environment and improved mission accomplishment.

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Best security forces in AFRC



Photo courtesy of 916th SFS

During the Security Forces Synposium Banquet at Nellis Air Force Base, N.V., in May 2005, Brig. Gen. (select) Robert Holmes, U.S. Air Force Director of Security Forces, presented the Air Force Reserve Command Best Security Forces Award to Capt. Jeff Poupart, *center*, 916th Security Forces Squadron commander and Tech. Sgt. Wendy Lopedote, 916th SFS, operations supervisor.

Hurricane safety is paramount in the Carolinas

by Maj. Jason Beithman

Chief, 916th ARW/Safety

Hurricanes are turbulent, unpredictable storms. Though often characterized by heavy rain and severe, damaging winds, hurricanes can also produce other weather-related hazards, such as storm surges in coastal areas, inland flooding and tornadoes. These destructive storms most often occur between June and November.

Advanced planning and preparation are especially important to minimize injuries and loss of life. This can be accomplished by formulating your own hurricane plan.

Although very basic, I have added a three step preparedness plan to help get you moving in the right direction. By staying informed and prepared for the hurricane season you may be saving yours or the life of a loved one.

Hurricane Watch versus Hurricane Warning:

A hurricane **Watch** means a hurricane is about 36 hours away from shore.

A hurricane **Warning** means a hurricane will make landfall in 24 hours. Hurricanes are unpredictable. They can get much stronger in a matter of hours. Be ready to evacuate. Get your supplies together.

The best time to prepare for a hurricane is right now.

Secure your home and listen closely to broadcasts for information from your local officials. Remember, it's easier if you make your travel plans and get your emergency supplies together now — before a storm.

Hurricane preparedness before the storm: The best time to prepare for a hurricane is right now.

First learn the local evacuation routes and be ready to evacuate when advised by local officials. Know where you are going to go if you need to leave right away (i.e. the house of a friend, a relative or a hotel.

Next pack emergency supplies in your house/car. Include a battery-powered radio, flashlight and extra batteries. Pack food that won't spoil — like canned goods and don't forget that can opener.

Store water in plastic bottles and be sure to include extra clothing and rain gear. Make sure you have a credit card handy and some cash.

Finally protect your property. Install storm shutters or have plenty of plywood on hand to protect windows.

Remember, be ready to evacuate, pack emergency supplies in your car and protect your property before you leave.

Monthly schedule - July and August

July

LRS AF Form 623 Reviews Due LRS Training SAV by DPMT Deployment Working Group

Performance Based Reviews due to QI – MSF/AMDS/SFS/MXG

CA/CRL due from 374AG (MXS) Equipment Validation by LRS – 792KT & 792OS (OSF), 794RE (CF)

July 1

CDC Test Inventory

July 8

Status of Training Briefing 8:00 a.m. – CDC Testing

3:00 p.m. – Pre-UTA staff meeting

July 9

8:00 a.m. – M16 Live Fire – SFS (21)

8:00 a.m. – NBCWDT Initial (15)

8:00 a.m. – CLEP/DANTES Testing

9:00 a.m. – AFRAT Testing

9:00 a.m. - UTM Meeting

1:00 p.m. - CDC Testing

1:00 p.m. – Automated Testing

2:00 p.m. - CCF Council

5:00 p.m. – Enlisted Council

5:00 p.m. - Top 3 Council

July 10

8:00 a.m. – M16 CATS – CES (14) 8:00 a.m. – M16 Live Fire – SFS (21) 1:00 p.m. – FSTR Rep Meeting 2:00 p.m. – Chiefs Group

July 15

4 AF OJT Metrics Due

8:00 a.m. – AF Form 623 Doc and AFTC

July 20

1:00 p.m. – CDC Testing

July 21

1:00 p.m. - Automated Testing

Jul 31 – Aug 7

916 CF deploys for IGX (8)

August

FY05 Formal School Audit

AMXS AF From 623 Reviews Due Performance Based Reviews due to

QI – MSF/AMDS/SFS/MXG

Annual Weapons Inspection Due (ALL - CATMS required)

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Management Control Program

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Reports Due

CA/CRL due from 373SG (AMXS), 374SM (MXS), 807WE (77ARS)

Equipment Validation by LRS – 807CW, 807LS & 807WE (77ARS – Life Support)

August 12

8:00 a.m. – CDC Testing

3:00 p.m. – Pre-UTA Staff Meeting

August 13

Aircrew Ground Training

8:00 a.m. - ASVAB Testing

8:00 a.m. - M203 - SFS (9)

8:00 a.m. – M9 Live Fire – OG (6),

77ARS (6), Wing Staff (6)

8:00 a.m. - NBCWDT Refresher (30)

1:00 p.m. – NBCWDT Refresher (30)

1:00 p.m. – CDC Testing

1:00 p.m. – Automated Testing

2:00 p.m. – CCF Council

5:00 p.m.– Enlisted Council

5:00 p.m.- Top 3 Council

August 14

Aircrew Ground Training

7:30 a.m.- UTM Training

8:00 a.m. – M16 CATS – CES (14)

8:00 a.m. - M16 Live Fire - MOF

 $8{:}00\ a.m.-AF$ Form $623\ Doc$ and AFTC

2:00 p.m. – Chiefs Group

August 15

AF Testing Inventory (TMI)

August 16

8:00 a.m.- CLEP/DANTES Testing

August 24

1:00 p.m. - CDC Testing

August 25

1:00 p.m.- Automated Testing

Words from admirers

Dear Colonel Sykes

Thanks to you and your staff for the opportunity to visit the Seymour family. Your troops are doing great things for our nation. Thanks and Godspeed.

Lt. Gen. Bill Welser Commander, 18th Air Force Scott Air Force Base, Ill.

Dear Colonel Sykes

Thank you for the hospitality you showed me. Billeting was comfortable. I enjoyed meeting everyone at the unit and feel that the visit was productive. Thank you for the cookbook. It is appreciated. Until next time, take care.

Karen Petreuskevich 4th Air Force March Air Force Base, Calif.

Dear Colonel Sykes

Just wanted to thank you and your team for a great show. It was a class act all the way. I really enjoyed seeing Pacer Crag in action. What an improvement! Chief Snyder did a superb job hosting us while refueling. Top notch!

Stoney Sloan First Command Financial Planning Goldsboro, N.C.

Dear Colonel Sykes

I cannot tell you how much I enjoyed flying with the 916th Air Refueling Wing and the Air Force Reserve.

It was not only breathtaking, but educational. The staff on board was absolutely wonderful.

Thank you so much for the photograph. It houses a wonderful memory.

Claudette Weston N.C. Clean Water Management Trust Fund Winston Salem, N.C.

Dear Colonel Sykes

Capt. Shannon L. Mann recently hosted Cadet David R. Herndon during a shadow program designed to couple young officers with the Air Force cadets that will be entering the same career field.

Captain Mann went well above and beyond the call of duty by arranging an incentive flight in a KC-135. She also showed Cadet Herndon the importance of fostering good working relationships with the local community. Captain Mann exuded the confidence and charisma of a good public affairs officer.

I know Cadet Herndon was able to speak to you as well about your experiences at the Citadel, all as a result of Captain Mann's coordination efforts. I really want to thank you for your personal attention to Cadet Herndon and also for Capt. Mann's unswerving dedication to his career field and to the Air Force.

Now Lt. Herndon commissioned last Friday, May 6 and is on his way to San Antonio, Texas to be a public affairs officer at Lackland Air Force Base. You and your staff made an indelible impression on at least one new Air Force officer. Again, my sincere thank you for helping to mold the future of our Air Force.

Denis Millsap, Lt. Col., USAF Commander, Detachment 600 East Carolina University Greenville, N.C.

Dear Colonel Sykes

Thank you so much for the opportunity to fly with SJAFB and for Robin DeMark's "backstage" tour. The Public Affairs Office people did a great job. Wayne County has many "jewels" and

SJAFB is certainly one that shines. Thanks again.

Amy Cain Wayne Memorial Hospital Goldsboro, N.C.

Dear Colonel Sykes

I had the honor of participating in the recent Good Neighbor Day, May 11. It was a pleasure to meet you and your wonderful staff and to fly on an aerial refueling mission. I spent 24 years in the Air Force and retired in August 1980, while stationed at SJAFB as first sergeant of the Communication Squadron. However, in my career I never had the opportunity to fly on an aerial refueling mission, and I must say it was very interesting and quite an experience for me.

I just wanted to thank you and the crewmembers, Maj. Sam Shmays, 1st Lt. David Cown, Master Sgts. Rodney Smith and Kenny Fallin. They could not have been more gracious. You must be very proud of these men and your staff for providing local business people the opportunity to learn more about the Air Force Reserve and your mission here at SJAFB. Please convey my thanks to all involved.

Hal Forrester Goldsboro Kiwanis Club Goldsboro, N.C.

General says thanks to the troops



Photo by Donna Lea

Lt. Gen. William Welser III congratulates Staff Sgt. Deborah Boles and other members of the 916th Air Refueling Wing during his recent visit in June. Sergeant Boles is an aviation resource management helper with the 916th Operation Support Flight.

Family day proves bigger and better than ever

by Capt. Shannon Mann Public Affairs Officer

With the romper room-like castle and the fried candy bars on a stick, one might think they were at the Wayne County Fair. However, even though the food and games may have appealed to the masses, this day was especially for 916th members and their families.

Family Day 2005 was held on Saturday of the June unit training assembly, on-base at Debden Park. Nearly 1200 reservists, spouses, children and extended family members packed the park for a day of camaraderie and fun.

Compared to last year's family day held near the 916th Fuel Cell, Command Chief Master Sgt. Thomas Smith called this year's event "exceptional."

The weather was absolutely perfect with sunshine and warm weather prevailing. Many people volunteered to make the day a major success. The Top 3 Council put on this year's event and ensured everyone had a good time. Hot dogs, hamburgers and the healthier alternative, turkey burgers were served up for lunch as Senior Master Sgt. Billie Perdue spun some musical tunes for everyone to enjoy.

The band, Anthem, made up of five members, four from the 916th, continued rockin' the crowd with three live music sets.



Photo by Staff Sgt. Scott Mathews

Mike LeVan and his daughter, Sarah, finish their tour of the mini C-17 from the 315th Airlift Wing, Charleston Air Force Base, S.C. The other member of the LeVan family is Capt. Shelley LeVan, 916th Communications Flight commander.

Volleyball tournaments, a working dog show, a Security Forces exhibition, vendor tents, sack races and a mini model C-17 from the 315th Airlift Wing in Charleston, S.C., helped give picnic-goers lots of stuff to do.

The mini C-17 was a sure hit with the children who were able to load through the rear of the aircraft, sit in the jump seats and even get a front seat view in the cockpit. Tech. Sgt. Sandra Mueller, a member of the First 6 Council and a volunteer for the event, thought Family Day was a bigger success this year because more members were able to participate. "This year there was no UCI or inspections coming up so a lot more people were able to come and enjoy it."

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